



The Iowa Office of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs Proudly Presents

The API Civic Engagement Series

Part II

November 19 - A Community Dialogue

Join us to begin our API community plan for civic engagement:

- *Create tools that foster community knowledge about the rights and responsibilities of voting*
- *Establish effective voter registration, education and mobilization programs*
- *Discuss successful models for civic engagement and lessons learned in Iowa and around the nation*
- **...and more**

Hosted by:



Christine Chen, Executive Director of APIA Vote, provides a national perspective for our state plan. *APIA Vote is a national non-partisan organization that partners with other organizations to mobilize Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders in electoral and civic participation.*

When: Thursday, November 19, 2015
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Where: DMACC Urban Campus
Building 1, Room #103
1100 – 7th Street
Des Moines, Iowa

For Questions or to RSVP:

Contact us at 515/281-4218 or sanjita.pradhan@iowa.gov

Food and beverage will be provided

Why now? According to the US Census 65,000 Iowa residents identify as being Asian. Only 21,000 are registered to vote, and only 17,000 voted in the 2012 election.

✓ *Are you registered to vote?*

✓ *Do you know where and how to vote?*

✓ *Why should you vote?*

✓ *Why does your vote matter?*

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Part I. Panel Discussion & Dialogue, Nov. 12, 2015
*The Iowa Commission of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs:
Connecting with Government to Make Your Voice Heard
Grand View University Student Center – 5:30 – 8 p.m.*

Part II. A Community Dialogue, November 19, 2015
*Developing an API Community Plan
DMACC Urban Campus, Building #1 – 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.*

Part III. API Civic Engagement Summit, Coming in January